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In re Application of:	:	
MAYER-WEGELIN, Raphael, et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION UNDER
U.S. Application No.: 10/562,514	:	37 CFR 1.182 TO CHANGE AN
PCT No.: PCT/EP2004/050941	:	INVENTOR'S NAME
International Filing Date: 27 May 2004	:	
Priority Date: 30 June 2003	:	
Attorney's Docket No.: 502901-216PUS	:	
For: METHOD FOR MONITORING A	:	
ROTATION RATE SENSOR	:	

This decision is issued in response to the "Response To Notification Of Missing Requirements And Petition Under 37 CFR 1.182 To Change Inventor Name" filed by applicants on 03 July 2006. Applicant has paid the required \$400 petition fee.

BACKGROUND

On 27 May 2004, applicants filed international application PCT/EP2004/050941. The international application claimed a priority date of 30 June 2003, and it designated the United States. On 06 January 2005, the International Bureau (IB) communicated a copy of the international application to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). The deadline for submission of the basic national fee was thirty months from the priority date, i.e., 30 December 2005. The published international application identified a corporate applicant for all states other than the U.S., and three applicant/inventors for the U.S.: Heinz-Werner MORELL, Dietmar SCHMID, and Raphael SKORUPA.

On 28 December 2005, applicant filed a Transmittal Letter for entry into the national stage in the United States accompanied by, among other materials, payment of the basic national fee, a translation of the international application into English, and a declaration executed by three persons: Raphael MAYER-WEGELIN, Heinz-Werner MORELL, and Dietmar SCHMID.

On 04 April 2006, the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) mailed a "Notification Of Missing Requirements" (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) indicating that an oath or declaration acceptable under 37 CFR 1.497 and the surcharge for filing the oath or declaration later than thirty months after the priority date were required. The Notification indicated that the declaration filed 28 December 2005 was not acceptable because "the first listed inventor has a name change without documentation."

On 03 July 2006, applicants filed the "Response To Notification Of Missing Requirements And Petition Under 37 CFR 1.182 To Change Inventor Name" considered herein (with required extension fee). The petition requests that the name of record for the inventor identified on the international application as Raphael SKORUPA be changed to Raphael MAYER-WEGELIN, the name used by this inventor on the declaration filed 28 December 2005.

DISCUSSION

Applicants' 03 July 2006 petition includes an affidavit executed by Raphael MAYER-WEGELIN confirming that, due to marriage, this inventor's name has changed from Raphael SKORUPA (as listed on the international application) to Raphael MAYER-WEGELIN (as listed on the declaration); the petition was accompanied by the required petition fee.

The materials filed 03 July 2006 satisfy the requirements for a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.182 to change the inventor's name.

CONCLUSION

Applicants' petition under 37 CFR 1.182 to change the name of record for inventor Raphael SKORUPA to Raphael MAYER-WEGELIN is **GRANTED**.

Based on the above, the declaration filed 28 December 2005, which identifies as inventors and is executed by Raphael MAYER-WEGELIN, Heinz-Werner MORELL, and Dietmar SCHMID, is now acceptable in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497.

Because the acceptable declaration was filed prior to the expiration of thirty months from the priority date, no surcharge payment is required.

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch of the Office Of PCT Operations for further processing in accordance with this decision. The date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(4) is 28 December 2005.



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